

**FOOTWEAR PIECES AND METHODS FOR MANUFACTURING SUCH**

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

**[0051]** Among other things, the present invention provides various footwear pieces, and methods for manufacturing such pieces. In various cases, the footwear pieces are molded from a lofting material. Further, in various cases, the footwear pieces include a pivoting strap that can be moved into contact with and fixed in relation to the sole of the footwear piece, or  
5 moved into contact with and fixed in relation to the upper of the footwear piece.

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